

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

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Environmental Priorities Initiative

PA Review Update

Facility: Solar Turbines, International CAD 008 314 908

Previously Recommended Actions:

- 1) Ongoing or planned State action is sufficient to address releases. Defer to San Diego Co. Health Dept. for corrective action; DTSC for closure.
- 2) No further RCRA action at present; reevaluate next year.
- 3) Negotiate 3008(h) Consent Order.
- 4) Incorporate corrective action into post-closure permit through 3004 (u) and (v).
- Stabilization evaluation completed. Further investigation necessary (to determine need/feasibility of stabilization).
- No further CERCLA action.

Follow-Up:

Contact: Donn Lipera (County Health Department: 619/338-2244)

* reviewed and modified by D. Lipera.

Extent of contamination is still in the investigation stage. Soil and groundwater contamination is are characterized using monitoring wells, hydropunch, and soil gas survey. According to Donn Lipera, this is an extremely complex site. There is a potential for DNAPL complications because of the concentrations of chlorinated solvents found at the site.

The majority of the USTs have been removed. Currently the only extraction system is installed in the area of the fuel tanks to remove free floating products. No physical clean-up of the facility as a whole has begun.

The County is coordinating efforts with DTSC and RWQCB to avoid duplication of efforts. This is a high priority site for the County. In addition, the facility is "extremely proactive" in remediating the site; according to Lipera the County has at times requested the facility to slow down because the County cannot keep up with all the documents the facility submits.

The County is enforcing CA H&S Code Chapter 6.7 and 6.75, and CCR Title 23. This covers cleanup of underground tanks. The county is working as an agent for the RWQCB on those releases not related to USTs (such as vapor degreasers, aboveground tanks, and etc.)

Contact: Ron Okuda (DTSC-Permits: 310/590-4885)

DTSC is planning on clean-closing the regulated units because the County is proactive in addressing contamination at the facility. All closure plans for the regulated units (seven units) have been submitted and were approved 6/30/93. According to Okuda, the closure certification will have provisions which will give DTSC the authority to enforce clean-up of contaminations discovered after the units have been closed (the permit was issued in 7/24/87).

According to Okuda, it is unlikely the facility will be bankrupt since it has approximately 65 billion dollars in assets.

Reevaluation: Elaine Ngo (H-4-4) Wain

1) Site equivalency test.

2) If site equivalency test is not applied within 2 years, reevaluate to ensure that the County continues active oversight of corrective action at the facility.